

4300 Department of Developmental Services

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
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4300-001-0001 Department of Developmental Services—State Support

210	Shift Responsibility of Conducting Certain Vendor Audits from the Regional Centers to the Department.	2,281,000	0	2,281,000	
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Assembly adopted a modified version of an LAO proposal to shift the responsibility for conducting audits on certain vendors from the Regional Centers to the Department and provided 16.5 positions for this activity. The affect of this proposal is a net increase of \$225,000 (General Fund), when this expenditure is offset by re-directing Regional Center Operations expenditures. (See Item 4300-101-0001, Issue 210).

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4300-003-0001 Department of Developmental Services—Developmental Centers

208	Trailer Bill Language: Office of Protective Services At the Developmental Centers.	0	0	0	
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Assembly adopted as proposed trailer bill language to modify Section 4491 of W&I Code to (1) enable the Chief of the Office of Protective Services to grant peace officer status to investigators and others as specified, and (2) have each Office of Protective Services in charge of all laws, rules and regulations at each facility.

Senate rejected the trailer bill language since the issue does not pertain to the budget and it grants broad authority to the Chief of the Office of Protective Services at each Developmental Center. The language should be discussed in policy committee.

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4300-003-0001	Department of Developmental Services—Developmental Centers and				
4300-105-0001	Department of Developmental Services—Special Item, Agnews Transition				
153 and 154	Delay in the Closure of Agnews Developmental Center Until 2006—Use Funds for Transition.	11,115,000	11,115,000	0	
Assembly approved funds as proposed in May Revision but, in lieu of refurbishing part of Sonoma DC for 200 consumers to be transferred from Agnews, directed the funds to be used for the development of community settings in the greater Bay Area and directed the DDS to include displacement plans for Agnews staff with the closure plan.					

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Senate (1) established a special item in the budget bill for the transition from Agnews to track the funds, and (2) adopted Budget Bill Language allowing for expenditure for community-based development options once the Administration has submitted an expenditure plan to the Legislature and a comprehensive closure plan has been received.

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4300-101-0001 Department of Developmental Services—Regional Centers

178	Regional Center Operations: Increase for Implementation of New Family Cost Participation Program.	670,000	570,000	100,000	
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Assembly provided additional funds, above the May Revision, to implement the new Family Cost Participation Program, including an appeal process.

Senate adopted the May Revision funding as proposed in recognition that the appeal process will result in negligible, if any, added costs.

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
211	Regional Center Operations: Unallocated Reduction. Assembly rejected the DDS proposal to reduce the administrative operations of the Regional Centers. Senate approved the budget reduction as proposed.	6,458,000	0	6,458,000	
210	Regional Center Operations: Shift Responsibility of Conducting Certain Vendor Audits from the Regional Centers to the Department. (Conforms to Item 4300-001- 0001, Issue 210, above).	-2,056,000	0	2,056,000	

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
206	Regional Center Purchase of Services: Unallocated Reduction. Assembly rejected the DDS proposal to implement broad statewide standards for the Purchase of Services and instead, reduced General Fund support by \$11.9 million which is the equivalent amount of reduction assumed from the statewide standards proposal. Senate also rejected the DDS proposal and instead, reduced General Fund support by \$7 million in recognition of how existing cost containment has reduced base-level funding.	0	4,929,000	4,929,000	

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
207	Trailer Bill Language: Special Education Language .	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted trailer bill language as proposed by DDS that would prohibit Regional Center funding from paying for any special education needs.				
	Senate rejected the trailer bill language since there are no identified budget savings and has sweeping policy implications in education. The language should be discussed in policy committee.				

4440 Department of Mental Health

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
4440-001-0001	Department of Mental Health—State Support				
001	Funding for Development of a Federal 1115 Waiver for the Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) Program.	0	-236,000	236,000	
	<p>Assembly rejected the DMH request for \$472,000 (total funds) to craft a new 1115 Waiver for redefining EPSDT medical necessity and instead directed these resources toward exploring options to identify more federal funds. Also adopted Budget Bill language directing the department to report to the Legislature on options for increasing federal funds.</p> <p>Senate also rejected the DMH request for resources since the Administration has deferred discussions on the 1115 Waiver issue until August.</p> <p>(Reduction of \$236,000 from Reimbursements).</p>				

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
070	Resources for new Audits of the EPSDT Program. Assembly approved a total of \$1.7 million (\$844,000 General Fund) as requested in the budget to enable the DMH to contract to conduct specified audits within the EPSDT Program. Senate reduced by \$400,000 (\$200,000 General Fund) because the DMH modified their audit methodology but did not recalculate the costs for a contractor based on the revised methodology. (Reduction of \$200,000 in Reimbursements).	0	-200,000	200,000	

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
054	Contractor Evaluations and Court Testimony Related to Patients who are Sexually Violent Predators (SVP). Assembly rejected the DMH May Revision proposal to save \$1.5 million due to an anticipated decrease in the number of SVP evaluations to be performed by contractors as well as a corresponding decrease in evaluator testimony. Senate approved the May Revision but referred all DMH proposed trailer bill language regarding SVPs to the policy committee process.	0	-1,497,000	1,497,000	

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
066	State Staff for the Early Mental Health Initiative Program. <i>(Conforms with Item 4440-017-0001, Issue 065).</i> Assembly funded one position to administer the Early Mental Health Initiative Program which was increased by the Legislature by \$5 million (Proposition 98/General Fund) for total program expenditures of \$10 million. Senate did not augment staff since it believes staff resources can be redirected for this effort, as has been done in the past.	82,000	0	82,000	

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
4440-011-0001	Department of Mental Health—State Hospitals				
003	Monitoring of Metropolitan State Hospital Due to Significant Concerns.	0	0	0	
	Senate adopted trailer bill language to require the DMH to (1) report on a quarterly basis on specified patient care and hospital operation measures, and (2) convene community forums during 2004-05 as specified in response to the federal Department of Justice's considerable concerns regarding Metropolitan State Hospital.				

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
061	Delay Activation of Coalinga State Hospital. Assembly adopted the May Revision which delays full activation of Coalinga until September 2005. Senate adopted LAO recommendation to defer activation until March 2006 for additional savings of \$10.7 million (General Fund).	-9,452,000	-20,143,000	10,691,000	

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
063	Trailer Bill Language: Shift Costs to Counties for Certain Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) Patients. Assembly adopted language as crafted by the DMH to require County Mental Health to prospectively pay the costs of IST patients residing in State Hospitals who remain in the hospital for more than 10 days after a certificate of restoration of competency has been received by the courts. (\$360,000 payable from Reimbursements—County Realignment Funds). Senate rejected the proposed language and cost shift to the counties.	-360,000	0	360,000	

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
071	Eliminate Special Reserve in Access for Infants and Mothers (AIM) Program to Backfill for General Fund Support in the State Hospitals.	0	-1,000,000	1,000,000	

(Conforms to Item 4280-111-236, Issues 204 and 205).

Senate adopted LAO recommendation to repeal the \$1 million special reserve from AIM (Proposition 99 Funds) to backfill for General Fund support in the DMH State Hospitals. The Governor's budget also uses \$5.9 million in Proposition 99 Funds to backfill for General Fund support in the State Hospitals. The Senate amount is in addition to this action.

(\$1,000,000 payable from Item 4440-011-236).

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4440-016-0001 Department of Mental Health—Conditional Release Program

055	Increase for the Conditional Release Program (CONREP) for Patients who are Sexually Violent Predators (SVPs).	0	218,000	218,000	
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Assembly rejected the May Revision to provide \$218,000 for anticipated increases in caseload and treatment costs associated with the release of State Hospital patients who are SVPs to the Conditional Release Program.

Senate approved the May Revision for increased contractor expenditures.

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4440-017-0001 Department of Mental Health—State Support for HIPAA

065	State Staff--Continued Implementation of the Federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).	-82,000	-246,000	164,000	
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Assembly approved two of the three DMH requested positions for HIPAA implementation and redirected one position to support the Early Mental Health Initiative.

Senate rejected the budget request since the DMH has five existing positions specifically for this purpose, as well as other resources for information technology projects.

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
4440-101-0001 Department of Mental Health—Community Based Services					
002	Trailer Bill Language: Community Treatment Facilities.	0	0	0	
	Senate rejected the DMH trailer bill language to have the supplemental rate for these facilities contingent upon appropriation in the Budget Act and instead maintained the existing statutory structure of providing annual funding within the statute in order to maintain legislative oversight.				

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
063	Trailer Bill Language: Achieve Mental Health Parity.	0	0	0	
	Senate adopted language in response to the Governor's Budget Summary documents which expressed concerns regarding achieving mental health parity in the state. The language directs the DMH, in collaboration with other state agencies to identify core reasons mental health parity is not being achieved, the barriers to achieving it, and what approaches can be done in order to effectuate a more comprehensive mental health system.				

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Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
4440-103-0001	Department of Mental Health—Mental Health Managed Care				
001	Emergency Regulation Authority for Managed Care.	0	0	0	
	Assembly adopted the DMH trailer bill language to extend emergency regulations for the Mental Health Managed Care Program for another year, until July 1, 2005.				
	Senate rejected this language and instead adopted language to require the DMH to conduct new public hearings that include discussion of new federal regulations and to sunset the emergency regulation authority by June 30, 2005. Existing emergency regulation authority has been in place for almost ten years.				

4700 Department of Community Services & Development

Issue	Description	Assembly	Senate	Difference	Conference Action
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4700-101-0001 Department of Community Services & Development

001	Naturalization Services Program.	3,000,000	0	3,000,000	
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Assembly appropriated \$3 million General Fund to fund the Naturalization Services Program, which makes grants to community-based organizations to assist legal permanent residents in obtaining citizenship.

Senate took no similar action.